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36. (New) The spread-spectrum multiple access code of claim 31, wherein the plurality of pulse compression codes comprise a positive compression code associated with a +1 pulse and a negative compression code associated with a -1 pulse.

37. (New) The spread-spectrum multiple access code of claim 31, wherein each of the plurality of pulse compression codes comprises a Barker sequence.

Remarks

New claims 10-37 are presented for examination.

The Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner reconsider this application with a view towards allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney if a telephone call could help resolve any remaining items.

If there are any fees or credits due in connection with the filing of this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, authorization is given to charge any necessary fees to our Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 10748-006-999). This page is submitted in duplicate for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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